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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the U.S. National Phase Entry
Under 35 USC 371 from
International Application of
BROADBENT, Peter Jeffrey et al.
Int'l. Application No. PCT/US00/26975
Filed in the RO/US on 29 September 2000
Entitled: *Reactive Dye Compounds*

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.112

Assistance Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to Examination and computation of the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U. S. National Phase, please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following Remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

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3. A reactive dye compound according to Claim 1 wherein Y is derived from the hydrated form of a reducing sugar selected from an aldose or a ketose, or the hydrated form of formic acid.

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 7. A reactive dye compound according to Claim 1 wherein Y is derived from glucose, sucrose or fructose or the hydrated form of formic acid.

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 9. A reactive dye compound according to Claim 1 wherein Y is -O-(CHOH)₄(CHOHCH₂OH).

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 12. A reactive dye compound according to Claim 10 wherein r is 0.